STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2004-268

June 22, 2004

GUILFORD-SANGERVILLE WATER DISTRICT Application for Approval of Issues of Securities (§ 902) (\$100,000)

ORDER APPROVING ISSUES OF SECURITIES

WELCH, Chairman; DIAMOND and REISHUS, Commissioners

On April 23, 2004, the Guilford-Sangerville Water District (the District) filed with the Commission its application for authority to issue its bonds in a sum not to exceed \$100,000 through Merrill Merchants Bank, at an annual rate not to exceed 4.62 percent. The debt will be paid over a term not to exceed 10 years with right of prepayment. In this Order, we approve the District's application.

The District requires these funds for the purposes of financing capital improvements to the District water system, including but not limited to water main replacement on Elm Street in Guilford. In addition to the funds sought here, the District has obtained a \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to fund a large portion of this project.

Having reviewed the application of the District, together with data filed in support of it, it is the opinion of the Commission that the proceeds of the issuance of the note are required in good faith for the purposes enumerated in 35-A M.R.S.A. § 901. In approving this securities issue, consistent with normal practice and pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 902 (4), the Commission does not imply approval of the District's capital needs or capitalization ratio for ratemaking purposes, nor does this Order limit or restrict the powers of the Commission in determining or fixing any rate.

Accordingly, we

## ORDER

- 1. That the Guilford-Sangerville Water District is hereby authorized to sell its bonds in a sum not to exceed \$100,000 to be used solely for the purposes described in this Order, and at a rate not to exceed 4.62 percent per year through Merrill Merchants Bank for a term not to exceed 10 years with the right of prepayment.
- 2. That the District report to this Commission, in writing, its actions pursuant to this Order within (60) days of the date of the sale of the proposed bonds, or by August 1, 2004, whichever may come first.

3. That the Administrative Director is hereby directed to mail an attested copy of this Order to interested parties and to close this Docket.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2004.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

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  - 2. <u>Appeal of a final decision</u> of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within 30 days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure.
  - 3. <u>Additional court review</u> of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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